

State of Interoperability Governance Board
Minutes
April 13, 2017
1:30 AM
Cogswell Building, Room 151

Members Present:

Quinn Ness, MDOA/SITSD, Alternate; Acting Chair	Siri Smillie, Governor's Office
Delila Bruno, MDMA	Jason Smith, Governor's Office of Indian Affairs
Chief Mike Doto, MSVFFA	Captain Curt Stinson, MACOP
Geoff Feiss, MTA	General Jon Swartz, MDT, Alternate
Colonel Tom Butler, MDOJ/MHP, Alternate	

Staff Present:

Jennifer Schofield, MDOA/SITSD; Sarah Mitchell, MDOA/SITSD

Guests Present: Brad Steiner, Motorola Solutions; Mike Feldman, MDOJ/MHP; Mark Baker, AT&T; Sandra Barrows, Burrows Consulting; Trudy Skari, MDOA/SITSD; Mike Raczowski, MDOC; Tara Thue, AT&T

☞ **Real-time Communication:** Chris Lounsbury, Missoula County; Justin Shore, FirstNet; Tracy Murdock, FirstNet; Charlie Gilmore, Lewis & Clark County; Dale Osborne, MDOJ/MHP; Todd Klemann, DNRC; Commissioner Joe Briggs, MACO, Chief Gallagher

Welcome

Quinn Ness, Acting Chairman welcomed the council to the April 13, 2017 Statewide Interoperability Governance Board (SIGB) meeting. All members and guests were introduced.

Minutes

Motion: Geoff Feiss made a motion to approve the March 9, 2017 minutes. Mike Doto seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion

First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet): AT&T & State

Justin Shore, Senior Counsel, Government Affairs for First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), provided an update regarding recent FirstNet activities. On March 17, 2017, the United States Court of Federal Claims denied Rivada Network's protest motion. FirstNet announced their nationwide partnership with AT&T on March 30, 2017. FirstNet and AT&T are currently drafting state plans with the intent to deliver these plans by late June, 2017. Draft plans will reflect three years of data collection regarding Montana's Public-Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN) needs. Mr. Shore and Tracy Murdock will present more detailed information regarding the draft state plan during the May 11, 2017 SIGB meeting.

FirstNet anticipates delivery of all state plans to every state and territory by the Fall of 2017. Once the opt-in approval from the Governor is received, public safety departments can sign up for FirstNet's service. The Band 14 spectrum deployed by AT&T will provide priority service on all Long-Term Evolution (LTE) bands. AT&T projects preemption capabilities on FirstNet Band 14 and all AT&T LTE bands by the end of 2017. Mr. Shore stated that AT&T has met the 15% contractual requirement within the Request for Proposals (RFP) regarding rural deployment.

Ms. Murdock mentioned the March and April FirstNet meetings with Butte, Great Falls, and Helena will be rescheduled.

Action Item: Ms. Murdock will coordinate with Dan Sullivan and Mr. Ness regarding rescheduling the remaining FirstNet Metro meetings in Montana.

Action Item: Ms. Murdock will contact Mr. Ness regarding the date of FirstNet's upcoming webinar.

Action Item: Mr. Ness will incorporate the FirstNet briefing as a standing item to the SIGB agenda.

Action Item: Ms. Murdock will work with Mr. Sullivan and Captain Curt Stinson to facilitate FirstNet presentations in upcoming Montana Law Enforcement Association meetings.

HB:604: Open Discussion

Colonel Tom Butler noted House Bill 604 was returned to the House with amendments that consist of a change in the "nine" members instead of "seven". The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) was exempted from the bill. Colonel Butler commented, if House Bill 604 passes, a committee will be formed to fulfill the requirements of this bill. Colonel Butler confirmed that the SIGB will continue to work on matters involving House Bill (HB) 604 until the new council that is required in HB 604 is formed.

Colonel Butler requested that the Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee (ETIC) be kept informed throughout the interim regarding House Bill 604.

Public Comment

Tara Thue shared that Motorola Solutions is one of AT&T's partners in the FirstNet award. Motorola Solutions will deliver applications, software and services that bridge communications between land mobile radio (LMR) and LTE. As you know, Motorola Solutions has completed work on LMR systems across the country. LMR systems will be complementary to the wireless mobile broadband LTE services that FirstNet and AT&T will provide.

Ms. Thue encouraged SIGB board members to contact her at tt4387@att.com with any questions.

Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

Mr. Ness requested that members email any additions for the May 11, 2017 SIGB agenda to QNess@mt.gov. The May 11, 2017 SIGB agenda will include a FirstNet briefing from Mr. Shore and Ms. Murdock.

Action Item: Mr. Ness will place a Legislative Update on the May 11, 2017 SIGB Agenda.

Action Item: Mr. Ness will place House Bill 604 as a standing item to the SIGB agenda.

Next Meeting

May 11, 2017

1:30 AM to 3:30 AM

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Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:21 PM.